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Makin' a splash

The temperature is rising, and people are going to the base pool to cool off. See pages 10-11.

Briefly

Town hall meeting

Brig. Gen. Kurt Cichowski, 49th Fighter Wing commander, hosts a town hall meeting for all Team Holloman members from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Tuesday at the community center.

For more information or to submit questions for the general, call the Family Support Center at 572-7754.

MPF closed

The 49th Mission Support Squadron is closed from noon to 4:30 p.m., today. Call the first sergeant at 430-0764 for emergencies.

MDG trains for NBC incidents

by Airman 1st Class

Stephen Collier

49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The 49th Medical Group teamed up with Reeves Group, a decontamination consultant firm, May 27 to train the medical staff how to treat victims during a nuclear, biological or chemical, or NBC event.

Every military treatment facility in the Air Force is setting up for In Place Patient Decontamination Capability, according to Mr. Tom Bocek, Reeves Group weapons of mass destruction consultant.

The purpose of the IPPDC training is to protect the medical facility during an attack and to prevent the mass confusion that can occur during an NBC or WMD event.

Once an incident has occurred, a 12-person decon team is notified and begins to set up, Mr. Bocek said. A decon tent is set up in five to seven minutes, water is run through heaters and in less than a minute, warm



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

Airman Sonrisa Espinosa decontaminates a simulated victim during the In Place Patient Decontamination Capability training May 27 at the 49th Medical Group.

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AF approves wear of Expeditionary Medal

The Air Force has authorized wear of the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary medal approved by President Bush last year.

The Department of Defense campaign medal applies to active-duty, Reserve and Guard personnel deployed abroad on or after Sept. 11, 2001, for Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"The criterion is pretty clear, so members who believe they are eli-

gible can begin wearing it," said Tech. Sgt. Jeff Simmons, superintendent of the Recognition Programs Branch here.

To qualify, an individual must have been assigned or attached to a unit in OEF/OIF and served 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days in one of the following specific geographic areas: Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bulgaria (Bourgas), Crete, Cyprus, Diego Garcia, Djibouti,

Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Qatar, Romania (Constanta), Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Syria, Tajikistan, Turkey (east of 35 degrees east latitude), Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Yemen, that portion of the Arabian Sea north of 10 degrees

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High: 90
Low: 62
TODAY



High: 94
Low: 58
SATURDAY



High: 96
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SUNDAY



High: 94
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MONDAY

Weather forecast provided by the 49th Operations Support Squadron Weather Flight

Take time to remember America's heroes

by Maj. John Beaulieu
Air Force History Office

While driving from Washington, D.C., to Augusta, Maine, my sister called me on the cell phone. "You better hurry, the nurse says he doesn't have much time left." My heart sank because I was only halfway there.

As I raced north, images of my father flashed in my mind: cheering from the stands when I hit my first homer; shoveling snow near the gas pumps at his tiny convenience store; yelling "Atta boy, John!" at my high school and college graduations; sleeping in his favorite chair with a Pepsi between his legs and the news on the TV . . .

A few hours later, I was at his bedside. In just three weeks, pancreatic cancer had turned my strong, happy, barrel-chested father into a weak, sullen, old man. Dad and I had a few precious moments before the end.

Of all the photos, my aunt chose his World War II Army photo to hang at the wake for all to see. Nearly all of my father's six brothers and four sisters regaled me with many familiar stories of Dad's exploits "in the service."

In 1943, my father, Ronald Beaulieu, was a new corporal in the 11th Armored Division of Patton's 3rd Army. Although he was trained as a forward observer and scout, most of the time he was a driver for junior officers or sat behind the wheel of a halftrack in a convoy.

On one particularly long drive, Dad had a one-sided debate with an officer about U.S. geography.

"How can you say that Maine is not the biggest state in the union?" he said to the officer. "You don't know what you're talking about, sir."

Obviously, my father was a proud but very ignorant New Englander, and Dad's captain was very patient because he, a Texas native, just let my father drone on.

My father was very proud of his unit's achievements. Fighting in "The Bulge," crossing the Rhine and liberating the Mauthausen-Gusen Concentration Camp complex were the three he spoke of most often.

Rumors had spread about German atrocities, but when my father pulled up to the outskirts of the concentration camp, he was shocked by the horror.

He told me years later, "I know you've seen pictures

of the Holocaust, but they can't show you what I saw, what I smelled, and what I felt. The suffering there was far beyond my worst nightmare."

Because my father's first language was French, he spoke with several victims face-to-face and couldn't believe the tales they told him. That day, my father gave away nearly everything he had.

My father and five of his brothers served in World War II. Like Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen today, he traveled to a foreign land to fight for people he had never met. Like his brothers, he volunteered to do this, and he served with distinction.

I'm proud to be my father's son, and grateful to wear the uniform of my country. Although my father's generation has been called the "Greatest Generation," which I don't dispute, I like to think their legacy and spirit continues in the hearts and minds of those who serve today. Despite the stories of abuse, wrongdoing, and neglect in our nation's military, I hope Americans see that there are thousands who do their duty, who do the right thing, and serve with distinction as well.



Photo by Master Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

Heroes

The largest gathering of World War II veterans since 1945 assembled on the National Mall to witness the dedication of their long-awaited memorial May 29. More than 100,000 people were on hand as President Bush officially accepted the National World War II Memorial on behalf of a grateful nation. The 7.4-acre granite and bronze tribute took 17 years to complete.

DUI Update

Days since last DUI	19
DUIs this year	16
This week last year	12

Last six DUIs

• 49 LRS	May 16
• 49 MDG	May 16
• 49 LRS*	May 15
• 49 AMXS	May 7
• 49 CS	April 11
• 49 CES	March 27

* Dependent

572-RIDE works!

Calls made are lives saved

504 Saves this year
28 Saves this week



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Test squadron jams GPS

by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The 746th Test Squadron planned and executed a Global Positioning System jamming environment at White Sands Missile Range May 24 to 28.

The objective of this event, called JAMFEST, was to provide a low to no cost realistic GPS jamming environment for testing GPS-based navigation systems and for training personnel in a unique operational environment.

During JAMFEST, the 746th TS hosted twelve simultaneous, yet diverse customers, including multi-service Department of Defense organizations and several defense contractors. Customer objectives ranged from training personnel on the effects of GPS jamming to characterizing the performance of prototype advanced anti-jam technologies against operationally realistic threats.

To accomplish these goals, participants drove, flew or walked through a total of 59 jamming scenarios specifically tailored to stress the systems under evaluation.

“We are giving anyone in need of GPS jamming an outlet to test their GPS assets,” said Lt. Col. Eric Lagier, 746th TS commander. “Both the military and civilian sectors can benefit from this event, since our jamming environment targets potential weaknesses in all GPS receivers. Identifying and mitigating vulnerabilities in military applications is a chief concern, but because civilian receivers are used throughout much of our national critical infrastructure, this type of testing has a direct impact on addressing Homeland Security concerns as well.”

Engineers provided the GPS jamming operations from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., each test day, as well

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HAFB puts the hold on mold

by Airman 1st Class

Pamela Stratton

Sheppard Air Force Base,
Texas

Mold grows in all types of buildings, both on and off base. While there’s no definitive evidence providing a connection between mold and any particular health problem, conditions that create mold should be addressed, and mold should be removed. Generally, the culprit is some source of moisture, such as high humidity or a leaking pipe that creates the right conditions for mold to grow.

What is mold?

Molds are naturally occurring fungi that can grow on any porous surface, both indoors and outdoors, as long as moisture and oxygen are present. Molds are very common in buildings and homes and will grow anywhere indoors where there is moisture. Large mold infestations can usually be seen or smelled.

There are currently more than 20,000 species of mold. One of those types of mold is *Stachybotrys chartarum*, which is often found in homes and buildings. It can grow on material with high cellulose and low nitrogen content, such as fiber-

board, gypsum board, paper, dust and lint. Growth occurs where there is moisture from water damage, excessive humidity, water leaks, condensation, water infiltration or flooding.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, it’s not necessary to determine the type of mold growing in an indoor environment. All molds should be treated the same way with respect to potential risks.

How can mold be removed and prevented?

Conditions causing mold growth, such as water leaks and condensation should be corrected to prevent mold from growing. Cleaning up mold without addressing the source of excess moisture may cause mold to simply reappear.

Porous surfaces from which mold can’t be completely removed, such as ceiling tiles or carpet, should be replaced.

To prevent future mold growth, the Environmental Protection Agency has offered the following guidelines:

- Fix leaks in buildings as soon as possible.
- Watch for condensation and wet spots. Fix moisture problems as soon as possible.
- Prevent moisture due to condensation by increasing sur-

face temperature or reducing moisture level in the air.

- Keep heating, ventilation and air conditioning drip pans clean, flowing properly and unobstructed.

- Clean moldy surfaces with household bleach and water mixture of one-cup bleach mixed with one gallon of water. Be sure to follow directions on bleach for personal protection.

- Vent moisture-generating appliances, such as dryers to the outside where possible.

- Maintain low indoor humidity.

Holloman officials remind residents to leave a few windows cracked open throughout the day when using a swamp cooler. This will ensure sufficient airflow and prevent excessive moisture from collecting in confined areas of the home.

Housing residents who want to know more about the proper operations of their home’s swamp cooler should call the Housing Maintenance Office at 572-3982. If base housing residents feel they have signs or reactions to mold, they should contact their Primary Care Manager.

For more information about mold, visit the Environmental Protection Agency website at www.epa.gov.



Photos by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

First Lt. Sarah Kelly, 746th Test Squadron test engineer, positions a Global Positioning System jammer antenna at Tulie Peak during JAMFEST, a week-long jamming test against the vulnerability of GPS systems. It normally occurs throughout the year but was compressed into five days to save money.

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First Lt. Sarah Kelly, 746th Test Squadron test engineer, uses a compass to position a Global Positioning System jammer antenna at Tulie Peak during JAMFEST, a week-long jamming test against the vulnerability of GPS systems.

as characterized the jamming field with ground monitoring equipment and the 586th Flight Test Squadron's C-12J.

Additionally, the 746th Test Squadron successfully deconflicted all customer flight and ground operations and provided on-site technical experts to help resolve customer difficulties and ensure each objective was met. In some cases, this required significant instrumentation and analysis support.

Conducting this exercise required participation from every element of the 746th Test Squadron. Through scheduling and execution, the 746th Test Squadron conducted JAMFEST with no safety or security incidents, and customers achieved all test objectives at a significantly low cost that otherwise would not have been possible. According to Mr. Paul Benshoof, 746th Test Squadron JAMFEST coordinator, these tests would have cost a total of \$660,000 or more if conducted separately. JAMFEST achieved the same objectives for about \$85,000.

The 746th Test Squadron has conducted complex GPS jamming experiments since the early 1990s, but due to customer-unique technical requirements, timelines, and budget profiles it is often not practical to share tests simultaneously among a wide variety of customers. JAMFEST, however, made this possible.

"Our experience with GPS jamming allowed us to develop several jamming scenarios relevant to today's warfighter," said Capt. Desiree Craig, JAMFEST program manager. "JAMFEST afforded us the opportunity to conduct all of these scenarios during the same event at very little cost to the participants."

The 746th Test Squadron plans to conduct JAMFEST regularly; the next event is scheduled for November. Several new customers have already expressed enthusiastic interest in participating.

"The 746th Test Squadron is committed to providing the test resources to ensure our warfighters and other authorized users have robust GPS solutions to help accomplish their missions," Colonel Lagier said. "JAMFEST puts these essential resources within the reach of those who can benefit most, and we are proud to support them."



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

Airman Enmeri Batista (right) assists Staff Sgt. Veronica Lopez during the In Place Patient Decontamination Capability training May 27 at the 49th Medical Group.

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water is flowing through a built-in shower system.

The victims then go through the shower system to be decontaminated before going inside the medical facility for treatment.

This process allows the hospital to remain open and running in the event of a catastrophe, according to Capt. Donna LaPointe, 49th Medical Group IPPDC training team chief.

“In the case of a NBC or WMD emergency, we would be forced to close the medical fa-

cility doors to contaminated victims in order to protect everyone inside,” Captain LaPointe said, “but with this training, we’ll have the capability to decontaminate victims, so they can enter the medical group for more treatment.”

The training provides the medical staff with a solid-based knowledge of how to react during an NBC or WMD event, she said. The goal of the medical group is to provide top-notch care in any event.

Program seeks experts

People with international skills are becoming more valuable to many organizations, and the Air Force is no exception.

The foreign area officer program develops line officers with certain skills used by the Department of Defense, said Lt. Col. Mike Nolta, FAO program chief.

“DoD [officials] directed all services to develop this program ... to develop officers who have international skills in foreign language proficiencies, cultural understanding, regional specialization understanding and some in-country experience,” Colonel Nolta said.

This development begins when officers identify self-ob-

tained international skills. Sometimes these skills come from heritage, like growing up speaking the language, or from a combination of college studies.

“With today’s Air Force being expeditionary, it’s important that all Air Force officers have a global mindset to learn international skills,” he said. “Officers who obtain these skills, in the big scheme of things, really provide more value to the Air Force. Not only are they an expert in a primary career specialty, they also have these very well-developed global skills that can be used to support the expeditionary mission.” *(AFPN)*

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44. Away from the wind
45. Gather for oneself
47. System that links computers
48. Pie ____ mode
49. Ring result
52. Proxies
55. Tax examination
57. D-Day beach
58. Most difficult
60. Calm
61. Rumsfeld office symbol
62. First bomber over D-Day invasion

DOWN

1. D-Day beach
2. Throwback
3. Result of being startled
5. Stated
6. The Greatest
7. Actress Peoples
8. Expression of mild surprise
9. Juice pressed from fruit
10. Ohio city
11. Maker of ME-109 Axis fighter

16. D-Day troop-moving aircraft
17. Noah built one
20. Florid vocal embellishment
21. Lennon's bride
24. Leave out
26. 23rd letter of Greek alphabet
27. American soprano Farrell
29. Zodiac sign
30. Indian queen
32. Site of D-Day invasion
34. Burn residue
35. Luminous
37. 1998 Angelina Jolie movie
40. Money received for PCS
42. Sodium chloride
44. Fought Axis on D-Day
46. Window frame
49. Obtained from juniper wood
50. Asian vine with reddish flowers
51. Lyrical poem
52. Drills
53. D-Day beach
54. Period of time
56. Phrase indicating understanding
57. ____ Paulo, Brazil
59. Demeanor

1. Military lawyer
4. D-Day fighter aircraft
9. Curved wheel on rotating shaft
12. D-Day beach
13. Music between burlesque acts
14. D-Day Supreme Allied Commander
15. Quick rest
17. Assumed name
18. Hawkeye and B.J. on M*A*S*H
19. Name of operation for D-Day invasion
22. Goddess of the dawn
23. Pig noise
25. Sea bird
26. Fake
28. 1st name of D-Day ground commander
31. Grin
33. Lyricist Gershwin
34. USAF school for SrA
36. Florida key
38. Element number 50
39. To set upon, attack
40. Actor Danson

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north latitude and west of 68 degrees longitude, Bab el Mandeb, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Aqaba, Gulf of Oman, Gulf of Suez, that portion of the Mediterranean Sea east of 28 degrees east longitude, Persian Gulf, Red Sea, Strait of Hormuz, and the Suez Canal.

The medal will only be awarded once, regardless of how many times an individual returns to serve in OEF or OIF. There are



no service stars, or other devices authorized. However, battle stars may be authorized for personnel who engaged in actual combat. The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is the approving authority for battle stars.

The medal will be issued by local Military Personnel Flights when it becomes available and will also be available through AAFES later this year.

For more information, call the MPF at 572-7277 or call (800) 616-3775.



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents from May 24 to Monday.

Tickets

Security forces issued 19 tickets: four for no license, five for failure to stop, three for no registration, one for a parking violation, one for an open container, one for no insurance, one for no child restraint, two for inoperable tail lamps and one for speeding 11 to 15 mph over the speed limit.

Property loss, damage or theft

- May 24 – An officer reported damage to his privately owned vehicle in the parking lot of building 1265.

- May 24 – An NCO's family member reported a bike was stolen from the Holloman Middle School.

- May 25 – An NCO reported the back windshield of his privately owned vehicle was damaged in a wind storm.

- May 26 – A retiree's fam-

ily member reported someone damaged her POV at the commissary.

- May 27 – An NCO reported that a gate by Holloman Lake was damaged.

- May 29 – There was a minor accident between two government-owned vehicles at the west ramp, spot 22.

- May 31 – An Airman reported the window in his dorm room was broken.

Patrol response

- May 24 – An Airman was apprehended for altering his military identification card.

- May 28 – An Airman reported a verbal dispute in base housing.

- May 29 – A civilian detained a family member for shoplifting at the base exchange.

- May 29 – An NCO detained two family members for shoplifting at the base exchange.

- May 30 – Two Airmen were apprehended at the front gate for underage drinking.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

Holloman Hero

Staff Sgt. Raul Lopez

49th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Duty title: Fuels lab NCO in charge

Time in service: 6 years, 6 months

Time at Holloman: 2 years, 3 months

Hometown: El Paso, Texas.

Personal and career goals:

My goals are to continue to work toward completing my Community College of the Air Force degree and prepare for upcoming military training instructor special duty assignment.

Core value portrayed: “Excellence in all we do”

Sergeant Lopez displayed superb job knowledge and customer service while serving as

lead fuels analysis technician. His outstanding performance and his coordination with the Aerospace Fuels Laboratory at Vandenburg Air Force Base, Calif., ensured a continuous supply of on-specification ground fuel to base government vehicles and aviation fuel to the 49th Fighter Wing’s aircraft for flying missions. He lives the Core Value “Excellence in all we do” daily and it is evident as he will represent Holloman as an MTI for basic trainees at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

– **Master Sgt. Ray Munger**
49th LRS first sergeant

Accident teaches Airman lesson in safety

by Ms. Laura Pellegrino
Sunburst staff writer

Before he realized what happened, he was lying on the pavement in the middle of Interstate 25, just north of Socorro, N.M.

Airman Craig Morrison, 49th Maintenance Squadron Conventional Maintenance crew member, had unbuckled his seatbelt to remove his shoes. He took his eyes off the road for just a few seconds.

When he looked up, his driver's side tires were in off the highway and in the dirt.

He overcorrected, crossed the highway and hit an embankment. After his Chevrolet Cavalier rolled four times, he was thrown out of the vehicle and onto the highway.

It was about 10:45 p.m. on April 4 and Airman Morrison had been driving for almost six hours from his parent's home in Cortez, Colo.

"I was trying to get home

and it was pretty late," he said. "I was concentrating on being comfortable for the ride."

As he lay unconscious on the pavement, road rash covering his body, a tractor trailer headed toward him. Luckily, the driver saw the accident and stopped.

The trucker wrapped a blanket around him, got him out the road and called an ambulance.

Airman Morrison regained consciousness in the ambulance while emergency medical technicians were cutting his shirt to treat his wounds.

"I was kind of smart-alecky and said, 'hey, you guys are cutting my favorite shirt off,'" Airman Morrison said. "Then I remember raising my hands and saying 'wow, I've never seen this much blood before.'"

According to Mr. E.T. Faulkner, 49th Fighter Wing Ground Safety specialist, people thrown from their cars are 25 times more likely to be killed than people who are se-

cured in their seats.

"Brain and chest injuries are the most frequent cause of death in collisions without seatbelts," Mr. Faulkner said. "The state trooper on the scene told Airman Morrison he should have died two times; once when he was thrown from the vehicle and once when the tractor trailer was heading for his body on the highway."

Looking back on the incident, Airman Morrison said he wishes he had been safer.

"I had to learn my lesson the hard way," Airman Morrison said. "I had just passed a rest area, and I should have stopped there."

Airman Morrison was issued an Article 15 for the accident. He advises other Team Holloman members take every precaution while driving.

"Be aware of your surroundings," he said. "Watch out for everyone else who's driving and always wear your seatbelt."



Risk management, clear thinking key to safe summer

by Tech Sgt. Carl Norman
Air Force Materiel Command Public Affairs

Losing 66 Air Force people to private motor vehicle and seven to nontraffic-related accidents in 2003 prompted officials to carry out the most aggressive 101 Critical Days of Summer safety campaign in recent history.

Air Force commanders are sending

the word out to their people: Be safe!

In a letter to Air Force Materiel Command units, Gen. Gregory S. Martin, AFMC commander, said everyone, regardless of rank, age, sex or position, must be more aware of increased safety during the upcoming season when outdoor and recreational accidents tend to rise.

"This is the time when we need to place extra emphasis on good decision making and taking the responsibility for the personal well-being of our families and ourselves," General Martin said. "We must make safety awareness a part of our everyday lives — on and off duty."

People must make sure they and their families use seat belts, helmets, lifejackets and other protective equipment, the general said. Also, emphasizing alcohol awareness and its effect on Airmen in a recreational setting, he said using designated drivers and not drinking and driving is a paramount need.

The 101 Critical Days campaign begins Memorial Day and goes through Labor Day. It is the time when careless-

ness and fun-loving times sometimes takes control over careful thinking and gets people hurt or killed, said Col. Craig Wolfenbarger, AFMC safety director.

"People simply aren't taking the time to think of the risks involved in the things they're doing," the colonel said. "We've had cars and motorcycles in this country for a long time, and people have been running into things for that same amount of time. Seems like we haven't learned much over the years, and we're paying a high price to learn the same old lessons."

People should use risk-management techniques and think about what might happen in any given situation and what their reaction might be, said John Sheehan, AFMC ground safety chief.

"We do a pretty good job with on-duty mishaps and fatalities because we have more control over how people conduct business," Mr. Sheehan said. "But people need to put those same ideals into practice with off-duty activities because the off-duty stuff can kill you just as dead as the on-duty

things can."

If people apply the six steps of risk management, they can be reasonably assured there will be no surprises, Mr. Sheehan said.

Mr. Sheehan said that vehicle accidents accounted for 80 percent of deaths during the 2003 campaign. He also suggests keeping road rage caged; not drinking and driving; driving defensively and being cautious on unfamiliar roads.

Everyone, including supervisors and managers, needs to continue strong interaction with their co-workers and encourage each other to emphasize safety throughout the 101 Critical Days of Summer in both on- and off-duty activities, Mr. Sheehan said.

"This is the time of year where more activities are happening and therefore the risk of (accidents) happening increase," he said. "With increased awareness and people taking the time to think about what might happen in any given situation, we can continue minimizing our (accidents) and bring our people back home safely."

On the side

The six steps of risk management are:

- Identifying hazards associated with a particular activity.
- Assessing the effect each hazard has in relation to potential loss and severity.
- Determining controls necessary to reduce or eliminate the hazards.
- Making decisions as to accepting, avoiding or controlling the risk.
- Following through to make sure appropriate controls are used.
- Monitoring the situation and adjusting as necessary to keep things under control.

BRIEFS

No trespassing

Trespassing at the base firing range is not only illegal, but also dangerous because of live gunfire. The 49th Security Forces Squadron Combat Arms firing range is located on Vandergrift Street, about two miles from La Luz gate, building 1286.

There are danger signs posted in English and Spanish around the entire perimeter of the range impact area.

If there is a valid need for entry, call the 49th SFS Combat Arms Section at 572-0355 or 572-0356.

Missoula theater

The Whispering Sands Community Center is having the Missoula Children's Theater July 12 to 17. Auditions will be 10 a.m., July 12. Parents should have their children in place by 9:45 a.m. This year's production is "Rumplestiltskin" and children from first grade and older may audition. Performances are 7:30 p.m., July 16 and 2 p.m., July 17.

For more information call the Whispering Sands Community Center at 572-7476.

Store closure

The non-appropriated funds retail store will be closed June 12 due to lack of items.

ROTC vacancies

The Air Force Senior Leader Management Office announces the projected vacancies and application procedures for summer 2005 AFROTC detachment commander/professor of aerospace studies positions. Applicants may prioritize their desires for available vacancies, but officers approved by the board may be contacted and considered for any vacancy.

Applicants must comply with the following requirements: Be a colonel or a colonel-select as of Sept. 1, 2004, have a

minimum of three years retainability as of Aug. 1, 2004, have a master's degree, be available for reassignment in summer 2005, officers in joint-duty or defense acquisition workforce improvement act positions must be able to complete their full, original tour length, be released from AFSLMO to compete. Due to manning shortages, colonels and colonel-selects in the following career fields are ineligible: intelligence, weather, aircraft/munitions/missile maintenance, security forces, public affairs, finance, office of special investigations. All other applicants will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

For more information about application documents, call Ms. Susie Andrews at DSN 487-4180, commercial (210) 652-4180, or e-mail [susie.andrews@](mailto:susie.andrews@randolph.af.mil)

randolph.af.mil. For information about policy and eligibility, call Lt. Col. Robert Kellas at DSN 664-8173, commercial (703) 604-8173 or e-mail robert.kellas@pentagon.af.mil.

Road closure

Fifth Street at the intersection of New Mexico Avenue on the west side will be closed beginning 7:30 a.m., Monday and stay closed for the week.

Static display

This month's static display of an F-117, an F-4, a T-38 and a German Tornado is from 1 to 3 p.m., June 17 at Hangar 500.

Retirement ceremony

A retirement ceremony for Master Sgt. Patrick Franzen, 49th Materiel Maintenance

Support Squadron, is 10 a.m., June 18 at the officers' club.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Rob Richardson at 572-5016.

Chapel Services

Weekday Masses – 11:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Sunday – Catholic Mass, 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

- Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.
- General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.

- Protestant Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., and Catholic Religious Education, 10:45 a.m. at Holloman Intermediate School.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

Track star

Mr. Loyd Johnson, a foreman with White Sands Construction, looks on as Mr. Cody Shaw tears into the base track Wednesday in preparation for laying a new shock-absorbing running surface. The \$200,000 project is scheduled for completion in mid-October. Mr. Shaw is a heavy equipment operator with White Sands Construction.

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Johnson Family Vacation (PG-13)

6 and 9 p.m., today

The Punisher (R)

6 and 9 p.m., Saturday

Connie and Carla (PG-13)

6 p.m., Sunday

Tickets are 99 cents.

What's going on in the Tularosa Basin and beyond...

Flickinger Center Guild

The Flickinger Center Guild presents Turquoise and Silver Tea at 2 p.m., Sunday at the Alamogordo Woman's Club at 12th Street and Indiana Avenue. Tickets are \$10.

For more information, call 572-5642.

Cherry festival

The 2004 High Rolls Cherry Festival is 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., June 19 and 20 in High Rolls on U.S. highway 82. Parking and admission are free. Visit the Web site at www.highrollsfestivals.com.

For more information, call 682-1151.

Community arts

During June, the Otero County Arts Council presents the Third Annual "Celebrating Commu-

nity Arts" at the Flickinger Center for the Performing Arts, 1110 New York Ave.

There will be a month-long visual arts lobby display, featuring as many local artist's works as will fit into the lobby gallery, as well as a performance reception 5 to 8 p.m., Saturday featuring local poets, musicians, dance groups and martial arts and more. The event is free and open to all. This celebration is about the community and for the community.

For directions, or more information, call the Flickinger at 437-2202.

ACE registration

New Mexico State University Alamogordo Community Education has a summer registration session 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday at the White Sands Mall.

Class schedules will be available and students may pay by check, credit card or cash. Instructors will be on hand to discuss their classes and give demonstrations.

Adult summer classes include gardening workshops, cooking, knitting, crocheting, quilting, oil painting, creative workshops for women, mosaic tile pottery, massage workshops, Tai Chi Chuan, basic training (exercise), therapeutic boxing, dancing, computer workshops, selling your home yourself, mystery school of geometry, and safe parenting.

Children can take Spanish, summer art camp, pottery, Stressbusters, and boxing for teens.

Classes start June 14. Registration can be done by phone at 439-3822, mail or in person at

NMSU-A Student Services Building.

For more information, call 439-3822.

Annual camping pass

Annual camping passes are now available at all New Mexico State Parks. The new pass will be offered to everyone and will be valid in reservation campsites.

Regular camping fees will remain unchanged, although some park fees will see modest increases as the State Parks Division makes its first fee adjustments in six years.

For day-trippers, there is also a \$30 annual day-use pass good for unlimited admission to 31 state parks. Day-use and camping passes are valid through Dec. 31, 2004. The passes will be valid Jan. 1 to

Dec. 31 beginning in 2005.

Information about the entire fees proposal is available at www.nmparks.com or by calling (888) NM PARKS.

Softball tournaments

Women's Open Softball Tournament: July 10 and 11 at White Sands Missile Range. Cost is \$125 and the entry deadline is June 30.

Second annual World Armed Forces Regional Qualifier: July 23 to 25 at White Sands Missile Range. Cost is \$175 and entry deadline is July 9.

For more information, call Bill Velez at (505) 678-3374 or e-mail velezw@wsmr.army.mil.

Whiskey Downs show



Whiskey Downs will perform at 8 p.m., June 12 at the Alamogordo Pub, 7368 U.S. 54/70.





Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

Puttin’ around

Senior Airman Stephen Rothe, 49th Medical Operations Squadron, putts a golf ball Wednesday to prepare for the Apache Mesa Golf Course Member Appreciation Day tournament Saturday. The tournament begins at 7:30 a.m. and is for members only.



The Sports Bar



Intramural Standings - Softball

Large Unit

Team	Win	Loss
AMMO A	6	2
49 LRS A	6	2
49 CES A	6	2
49 MMG A	6	2
49 MDG A	4	4
49 AMXS	3	5
AGE	2	6
49 SFS	2	6

(Current as of May 26)

Women’s 5-Ball

Team	T-Points
49 MDG	5
49 SVS	4
49 LRS A	4
49 LRS B	4
49 MMG	1

(Current as of May 17)

Small Unit

Team	Win	Loss	Team	Win	Loss
46 TG	8	0	49 CES B	3	4
49 OSS	7	2	9 FS	2	6
49 MXS/AVIONICS	7	1	49 MXS/MXMTI	2	5
4 SPCS	6	2	49 MXS/AMMO B	2	5
49 SVS	6	2	49 MDG B	1	8
49 CS	6	2	49 MDG	1	7
49 MMG B	4	4	GAF	0	8
49 MOS	4	3			

(Current as of June 1)



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Shortstop Jim Hunt, 49th Services Squadron, hits a foul ball during Tuesday night's game against the 49th Maintenance Squadron Avionics team. Avionics won 16-13.

Maintaining the lead

Avionics team slips by SVS 16-13

**by Airman 1st Class
Stephen Collier**

*49th Fighter Wing Public
Affairs*

The 49th Maintenance Squadron Avionics team broke away in the third inning to beat the 49th Services Squadron 16-13 at Vandenberg Field Tuesday.

Avionics started with two hits ran in by left fielder Terreil Reed and left centerfielder Dennis Edmunds.

Avionics continued to pour on the offense with hits into the outfield by shortstop Larry

McEntire and first baseman David Hamilton.

A homerun hit by right fielder Oliver Martin put one more run on the board, but not until Avionics cranked the score up, 8-3.

Avionics stepped back up to bat in the fourth when outfielder Justen Gunter, McEntire and Hamilton loaded the bases. Second baseman Mike Bates nailed a grand slam to add four more runs to the board.

Determined to stay in the game, SVS pumped out four runs after a dropped ball in the

outfield by Edmunds. SVS first baseman Bradley Eitniewski made the last run of the inning after a big hit down the left field foul line by Labarron.

It was do or die for both teams. Avionics' Whitehouse slapped the last run on the board for his team after a hit into left field by Josh Watson.

SVS hit the field for the last inning. Base hits by catcher Paul Baldanado, Eitniewski and Martin brought SVS within three, but it wouldn't be enough to overtake Avionics.



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents from March 15 to Monday.

Tickets

Security Forces issued 18 tickets: two for inoperable tail lights, two for no driver's license, one for no registration, one for improper passing, one for failure to stop, two for no insurance, three for failure to wear a safety belt, one for careless driving, one for no child restraint, one for an aggravated DUI, one for open container, one for reckless driving and one for speeding one to 10 mph over the speed limit.

Property loss, damage or theft

- March 15 – An airman struck the front gate with a government-owned vehicle, creating a 6-inch scratch on the rear fender and a broken bolt.
- March 15 – An airman was in a car accident on Highway 54.
- March 18 – There was a major accident

involving two privately owned vehicles on Vandergrift and Radar Roads.

- March 19 – There was a gas-n-go at the shoppette.
- March 21 – An airman reported the screen in his dorm window was damaged.
- March 20 – An airman reported his room key and cell phone were missing.

Patrol response

- March 17 – A civilian reported a gas leak at building 1265.
- March 19 – An NCO's family member reported his son was missing at 3:30 p.m. He was found on Valencia Loop at 5:50 p.m.
- March 20 – An airman reported loud music coming from a room in Dorm 333.
- March 20 – An airman reported a loud party on Dona Ana Loop.
- March 20 – Security forces found five empty beer cans under an Airman's driver's seat. The Airman passed a sobriety test.
- March 20 – The New Mexico State Police reported passengers in a white van were throwing eggs at other vehicles and failing to yield to NMSP on Highway 70. The vehicle was stopped by security forces on First Street.
- March 21 – An airman's family member reported possible animal neglect in base housing.
- March 21 – An NCO's family member reported a loud noise coming from a vehicle on Mora Loop.

The Holloman Hero submission form is available online. It can be downloaded at:
https://wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/wing/49FW_PA/internal.html

